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An Italian, being asked if he went to confession now, replied that he confessed to his horse as it costs less and he did more for the man!

Voluntary contributions are coming to the superintendent of the Anti-Saloon League for use in the great fight now on against the powers of unrighteousness; but to carry the fight to a successful finish, they will have to come often and in large amounts.

It will be good news to prohibitionists all over the State to know that several prominent attorneys have offered their service free to plead in any of the courts in the State against the liquor forces who are trying to override our splendid anti-liquor laws recently enacted.

Mrs. Laura J. Laws, of Brooklyn, N. Y., mother of Dr. Curtis Lee Laws, the editor of the Watchman-Examiner, passed to her reward recently and her body was laid to rest near her old home in Middleburg, Va. Some of us know what this loss is and our sympathy is with those bereft.

Mr. Hughes, the Republican candidate for the presidency of the United States, has nine times been made an LL. D., that is, by these colleges and universities: Brown, Columbia, Knox, Lafayette, Union, Colgate, George Washington, Williams, Harvard and the University of Pennsylvania. And yet the title doesn't seem to stick to him. Did you ever hear him called "Dr." Hughes?

Beginning September first, Dr. Adoniram Judson Holt becomes sole editor of the Florida Baptist Witness. He is at present *e pluribus unum*, being one of the many editors of the Witness. He is one of the most pleasing writers in the South and one of the finest spirits; has had considerable editorial experience in Tennessee, Texas and Oklahoma. He is a brave man and self-sacrificing or he would never have returned to the quill, having once escaped.

"Ye have nourished your hearts in a day of slaughter," may be spoken not simply of the manufacturers of Krupp guns in Germany and of the munition makers in this country, and all who have purposely taken advantage of the mad slaughter in Europe to line their own purses with gold, but of every one who, careless of the butchery and misery of war, lives in godless ease and contentment and uses the blessings of God's peace in our part of the world to revel in self-indulgence or money making. It is enough to make every man tremble who fears God, lest it should be necessary to purge away our dross with the blast furnace of affliction. May the goodness of God lead us to repentance.

A little tot of three years was walking around timidly and inquiringly, almost aimlessly, in the church house, among those who were comparative strangers. Many were thinking, "Whose little girl is that?" After a bit she stumbled and fell, hurting herself a little and frightening her more. She rose with a cry of distress and made straight for her mother in a distant part of the house, from whose side she had strayed. The picture of experience with many of us. "Before I was afflicted I went astray," but in trouble we know where to go. Happy it is that, as in the case of the little child, we have One who will take us up in His arms and soothe away our aches. So the Lord pitieth them that fear Him.

To observe the movement of a company or regiment of soldiers, as some of us have done of late in this time of preparedness, will help to interpret some expressions of the apostle Paul, who lived among soldiers, being associated with perhaps the best of them in the pretorian guard while a prisoner at Rome. One of these phrases is "Beholding your order and the steadfastness of your faith." He had seen the soldiers drill or exercise, going through the manual, had observed with admiration their precision, their rhythmical step and swing, the harmony of motion, erect carriage, taut attention, quick responsiveness and ready obedience to orders. He had been impressed with their uniform co-operation, team work, maneuvers and solid phalanx; how they marched and how they stood a solid wall of steel. All this is contained in the expression, "your order (tactics) and the steadfastness of your faith."

TELEGRAM

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Issue on debt at its crisis. Victory is in sight, but not achieved. We are encouraged and gratified by many liberal responses. We can win complete victory by quick soliciting, ready response, hasty payment of pledges, prompt remittance through our regular channels. Will you be responsible for defeat or share in victory?

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE,
Foreign Mission Board.
Richmond, Va.

The ingenuity of the Germans sprung another surprise last week by the arrival in Baltimore of the "Deutschland," a merchant submarine, built for the purpose of running the British blockade and supplying Germany with needed materials for war. They brought a million-dollar cargo of dyestuffs and are to take back a large assignment of rubber and metal. The vessel is three hundred feet long and is strictly a merchant vessel, carrying no arms, either for offense or defense. This feat fairly "takes the breath" of everybody. They announce their intention to return without uneasiness as they had no special difficulty in eluding the enemy's ships coming over. They will, of course, submerge within the three-mile limit and whenever necessary to escape danger going back. It is their professed purpose to have other submarines of the same type, and speak of carrying milk for the German babies. But for the present they seem to be more concerned about the men in arms than the infants in arms. The sons of this world are for their own generation wiser than the sons of light.

Rev. J. N. Miller announces that the Sunday School Convention of Union Association will meet at Red Lick church, July 29th and 30th, and every Baptist in the association is urged to attend. Already good results are seen from the former meeting and all are invited to get the benefit of this one.

The responses to the request for payment on the hospital subscriptions have been coming in. If all the rest will send the amount subscribed it will relieve those who are standing under the burden without salary and by their own personal endorsements.

A facetious writer gives as the cause of the recent Sinn Fein rebellion in Ireland the suggestion that about Dublin men wore boiling kettles instead of heads and in the north of Ireland the men had wooden blocks instead of the kettles—hot heads against block heads!

Mr. and Mrs. W. Edgar Holcomb, of Quitman, rejoice in the arrival at their home of Miss Abby Helen Holcomb. Mr. Holcomb is the well-known B. Y. P. U. worker. It is said that the fond parents have about decided to send their daughter to Mississippi Woman's College!

Rev. W. H. Barrett, of Cedartown, Ga., has accepted the pastorate of Mt. Olive and Seminary and is already on the field. He is a graduate of Mercer University and the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary. We welcome him to a large place in the hearts and work of Mississippi Baptists.

The recent souvenir booklet issued by Dr. P. E. Burroughs, of the Sunday School Board, is a beautiful and informing tract with pictures of many of our college buildings where teacher training work has been done. Conspicuous among them is the administration building of the Mississippi Woman's College at Hattiesburg.

Now is the time, brother pastor, to look out the young men and women in your congregation and get them headed for the right schools this fall. This ought to be done particularly for the young preachers who should not be permitted to live out their lives on half strength, due to poor preparation. We learned recently of a Presbyterian layman who had sought out and started to school five young men from the country, now preparing to preach.

The present status of the recently passed prohibition laws against more than a quart in two weeks and against advertising, is that the petitions have been handed in to the secretary of state, asking for a referendum vote by the people in November, but the election has been temporarily enjoined. The whiskey forces are seeking to have the injunction dissolved and the prohibition forces are searching the list to see if the signatures are those of qualified voters, and how many of them will have to be scratched off. The end is not yet. It is time to work and pray.

The editor will be engaged in meetings during July and August. This may cause delay in some matters of correspondence. Last week he was with Pastor Allmon in a meeting at Mize, where there were six received into the church, two of whom were for baptism. The congregations were good and the church seemed to be helped to a higher plane. The pastor is a faithful shepherd and did his part of the work as a true yoke-fellow. The Baptists here have been outnumbered in the past but they are making a brave fight and are coming to the front and finding their place in the community and in the denominational work. It was a pleasure to be associated with the preachers in this church who are pastors elsewhere — Brethren Husbands, Tullos and Meadows.

FOR LIGN MISSION CAMPAIGN

"ENGLAND EXPECTS EVERY MAN TO DO HIS DUTY."

With what enthusiasm English subjects are everywhere rallying to their country's aid.

The United States expects no less of her sons, and men and money await their country's call.

Shall the sons of God, the "children of the kingdom," be less faithful, less patriotic, less enthusiastic?

"Shall we whose souls are lighted,
With wisdom from on high,
Shall we to men benighted,
The lamp of life deny?"

Did Jesus mean **you** when He said, "Go into all the world?" Did He not mean it for all the children of the kingdom? Have you done your part? Have you gone as far as you can? Have you helped the brother who is trying to go a little farther than you can go? Have you pointed men to Jesus? Have you prayed without ceasing for those who are doing the work? Have you helped to bear the expense of it? Have you given "as the Lord has prospered" you? Have you given until it hurts? Have you sacrificed for Christ, who, though He was rich, for our sakes became poor? This is not the work of the Foreign Mission Board only. It is my work, it is your work. Have you done your part? You and I — all members of Southern Baptist churches, constitute the Southern Baptist Convention. The Foreign Mission Board is our committee, appointed by us or our representatives, to receive and dispense our offerings for foreign missions. We authorize them to send men and women — our representatives — to foreign lands. We told them each year how much to spend. They did as we bade them, but we have not stood by them. We have not done our part. The missionaries are at their posts. They must have the means to carry on the work. In order to furnish the means, our board had to borrow money. For several years they have had to do this. This is not the Foreign Board's debt; it is the debt of Southern Baptists. It is our debt. Are we honest men and women? Do we pay our debts? Are we paying our part? Will we leave all for our partners to pay? Brethren, sisters, Jesus "expects every man to do his duty." Do you love Him? Prove your love by obeying Him, by sacrificing for His work. Please read II Corinthians 8:1-14 and ask God to show you your duty.

JANIE L. GRAVES,
Missionary to China.

Mr. Philip Didlake, one of our best agents, writes that Brother W. K. Anderson, of Glading, rendered him most valuable assistance and entertained him kindly. We always appreciate any kindness shown The Record's representatives.

TO INDIVIDUAL MEMBERS OF THE CHURCHES COMPRISING THE SOUTHERN BAPTIST CONVENTION.

Are you, fellow Christian, who profess to love the Lord and obey His commandments, satisfied to meet Him today, if He should call you to give an account of the stewardship He has entrusted to you, having a substantial banking account to your credit, while souls are perishing for lack of the Bread of Life, and multitudes are sitting in darkness and the shadow of death, without God and without hope?

Remember Him, who, though He was rich, for our sakes became poor, that we, through His poverty might be made rich. Let this mind be in you which was also in Christ Jesus. If ye love me, keep my commandments. He that keepeth my word, he it is that loveth me. Love not the world, neither the things that are in the world. Lay not up for yourselves treasure on earth, but lay up for yourselves treasure in heaven. If any man love the world, the love of the Father is not in Him. Ye cannot serve God and mammon. Where your treasure is, there will your heart be also. If any man have not the Spirit of Christ he is none of His. Whosoever forsaketh not all that He hath, cannot be my disciple.

Do you still say you love Him? Then bring your life to the touchstone of His word. Do not try to explain it away. God says what He means and means what He says.

The fulfillment of Christ's last Great Commission is blocked because you have not a vision of a lost world. Progress on the mission field is barred, because you have failed to co-operate, and we have lacked your interest and your prayers, because you have not invested deeply. How true Christ's words, "Where your treasure is, there will your heart be also." Our lives against your money. The challenge is before you. By your co-operation, you can, while staying at home, be missionaries in as real a sense as those who are standing in the battle line and in proportion as you invest in this cause, you will find that it is the richest investment you have ever made, bringing returns in joy and satisfaction to your own soul such as you could never realize through any other means of investment — with ever increasing dividends in immortal souls 'till Jesus come.

JOHN L. GALLOWAY.

Macao, South China.

There are student pastors located in the following universities: Columbia, Michigan, Wisconsin, Illinois, Minnesota, Kansas, Nebraska, Colorado, Pennsylvania, Pittsburgh, Ohio, Iowa, Washington, California, Leland Stanford, Michigan Agriculture, Boston. These are men supported by mission boards whose business it is to look after the religious welfare of Baptist students.

AN URGENT TELEGRAM.

No one knows so well as our missionaries the tremendous importance of success in the campaign to pay the debt on the Foreign Mission Board. Missionary J. W. Lowe, realizing the vital necessity, and not having time to send a message by mail so as to reach the denominational papers which are to be issued on July 12, has sent the following telegram to the board for publication. It will be read with deep interest by all our people:

"Do you know the real need of the heathen world today and the response of Southern Baptists to meet that need? That preparedness there, receptive peoples, and preparedness here, volunteers ready to go, is of God? That opportunities unparalleled confront us, open hearts, homes, villages, cities and provinces challenge us to do our best? That two millions a month die in heathen lands, die in their iniquities unwarned? That 'their blood will I require at thy hand' fixes forever our responsibility? That there are one hundred and twenty-two millions of people for whom no mission board has plans whatsoever? That the leaders of these people recognize the inadequacy of their old faiths to meet the physical, intellectual or spiritual need of the people? That the changed attitude of these people towards Christianity demands sympathetic and immediate response on our part towards them? That Jesus stands amidst the multitudes waiting to be introduced to the sick as the Great Physician, to the ignorant as the Great Teacher, to the sinner as the Great Savior? That it is now harvest time in the Orient with eight hundred millions, and the great spiritual awakening has come? That the appeals of the missionaries, the native Christians and the helpless heathen are written in their own life blood? That there is only one Christian to every two thousand in China? That there are no sorrows like the sorrows of a non-Christian land, the sorrows of flood, famine, plagues and war, and these sorrowing ones need to know the Comforter? That the greatest hindrance to our work abroad is our indifference at home — indifference to the will of God for our lives, indifference to the oft-repeated commands of Jesus, indifference to the world's sorrows and needs, indifference to the stewardship of life and money, indifference to the appeals of our missionaries, the native Christians and the heathen? That the sacrificial offerings of many of the native Christians and money of our people at home is prompted only by Him who hung on the cross? I am thinking of Miss Price, who gave \$200 at Asheville, the savings of twenty-two years, and the missionaries who gave one month's salary. Do you know that many pastors and churches have heartily co-operated in the effort begun at Asheville to raise the \$180,000 indebtedness, but do you know that many churches have not yet had this appeal presented? Pastor, will you prayerfully tell your people of this movement Sunday morning?"

J. W. LOWE.

Missionary to China.

AN APPEAL.

For seven years the great Southern Baptist Convention has had to report a debt on its foreign mission work at its annual gathering. Is it possible that more than 3,000,000 people cannot give but about seventeen cents each per year for foreign missions?

The daily press reports that our pitiful punitive expedition into Mexico is costing our government about \$2,000,000 per day. My, it simply staggers my mind! Suppose the missionaries had had at our disposal for all the years we have been trying to do mission work in Mexico just what it has cost thus far to try to run one bandit down, do you suppose there would be any bloody revolution in Mexico?

But let that rest there. Our pitifully small force of 300 missionaries (less than three army units) with their 600 native helpers are scattered over seven great countries of the world barely feeling our way against overwhelming odds, but, thanks be unto God, with an ever-increasing gain! Less than three weeks now remain of the time set by the convention to wipe out this menacing debt of \$180,000 which has been gradually accumulating for years. What will you do about it? Will our fine brotherhood be less loyal in this hour of awful need than the thousands who are answering their country's call? Pastors, give the people just one chance to make a free will offering on one of the two Sundays remaining. You sound the bugle; let them answer the roll call.

R. W. HOOKER,
Missionary to Mexico.

CONSOLIDATION OF THE BOARDS.

By M. H. Wolfe.

The Foreign Mission Board cordially invites the committee on consolidation of the boards to visit Richmond, and make a careful examination of the work of the board. No doubt the Home Mission Board and the Sunday School Board would welcome such an examination of their work.

Seeing that the boards and some of the brethren have utterly missed the mark, totally misunderstood the meaning of those who favor consolidation of the boards, I am writing this word of explanation.

The trouble is not with the boards; the trouble is with the machinery of the Southern Baptist Convention. Over and over again I have said publicly and privately that the boards have done the best work possible under the conditions. The wonder is that they have succeeded so well.

The Southern Baptist Convention now has a triple management of its affairs. All thinking men know that a dual administration is fatal, and history fails to record a highly successful organization that has more than one management—one head.

The Southern Baptist Convention now has two mission boards as far as collections are concerned, doing exactly the same thing. Two different groups of men working under separate authority, doing the same kind of work in the same territory among the same people, creating their own competi-

tion, resulting in serious friction, and will as long as men are human. Any organization that creates its own competition instead of producing co-operation is headed for the rocks.

Well informed Baptists know that when the state conventions and associations meet the several boards have at least a half-dozen men in attendance to represent the objects fostered by the Southern Baptist Convention, when as a matter of fact one man should, and could, represent everything that Southern Baptists stand for. If it is true that one man can only represent one part of the work then we are asking entirely too much of the many pastors who are now representing everything.

If it is necessary to have a half-dozen men to attend the many associations throughout the South, to cover the work of the convention, then it is just as necessary for each church to have half-dozen pastors. One pastor to preach occasionally, another pastor to represent foreign missions to the church, another pastor to place home missions on the hearts of the church, and so on.

My deep conviction says that any man who is not big enough to represent all of the objects fostered by Southern Baptists is not big enough to represent any one of them. Big enough for all, or big enough for none—that's all.

Dallas, Texas.

THE BLUE MOUNTAIN ENCAMPMENT.

If the success of an encampment is to be determined by whether or not there is in attendance a great multitude of people, the Blue Mountain Encampment was not a conspicuous success. But, if on the other hand, its success is to be determined by the kind of workers in attendance and the quality of work done, the encampment that closed on Sunday last deserves to be ranked among the most successful events of its kind ever held in the State.

Owing to uncertainty as to the date of the State Normal, it was impossible to advertise the encampment as thoroughly as has heretofore been the case, and some difficulty was experienced on this account in securing speakers. But when the opening day arrived an array of talent had been secured that made certain a great week, and in spite of the storm that prevailed during the last three days of the week, a splendid crowd was in constant attendance.

Much emphasis was placed on the class work. It was evident that those who came expected a week of inspiration and study. Both features were provided in abundance, but especially the study. Definite work was offered in Sunday School study, in B. Y. P. U. training, in mission classes, and in woman's work, and it was gratifying to see the full classes under each of the instructors from day to day.

Dr. P. E. Burroughs taught a large class in "Winning to Christ." Dr. Burroughs is the author of this splendid text-book, and of course taught it with authority. Miss Minnie Brown, of Pontotoc, led in the study of the elementary department of the Sunday School, and her work alone was worth at-

tendance on the encampment. Prof. Brown taught a post-graduate class in "The Seven Laws of Teaching." Prof. Brown is a master of practical pedagogy, and those who took this work spoke of his teaching as a revelation. J. Franklin Ray, missionary to Japan taught a mission study class that was doubly valuable because of his experience and first-hand knowledge of the field. L. B. Moseley, Sunday School field secretary for Louisiana, taught the Senior B. Y. P. U. Manual attractively and effectively. The Junior B. Y. P. U. class was taught by G. S. Dobbins, of New Albany, in the absence of W. E. Holcomb, Mississippi field secretary. J. W. Hickerson, Home Board evangelist, taught one of the largest classes of the encampment in "Personal Work." The work of this class attracted widespread attention, and was one of the most helpful features of the program. The Sunday School Normal Manual was taught by T. A. J. Beasley, than whom there is no more efficient teacher in the State.

Each morning at eleven and each evening at eight there was an inspirational hour. Monday was "Woman's Day," and the heart-talk of Mrs. J. F. Ray will long be remembered. Miss Mallory spoke in the evening, exhibiting pictures of the Training School.

Tuesday was "Temperance Day," and on this occasion Senator Whittington delivered a powerful address—an address containing facts that ought to be known and understood in every community in Mississippi.

Dr. P. E. Burroughs, Dr. J. I. Ayres and Dr. F. C. McConnell occupied the inspirational hours to the close of the week. Their messages were profoundly impressive. It is doubtful if ever just such a combination of teaching and preaching has been gathered for a Mississippi encampment as was afforded in these three men. Their work will be long remembered.

Plans were made and will soon be announced for a still greater encampment next year. The following officers were elected: President, T. L. Holcomb, Pontotoc; vice-president, T. A. J. Beasley, Ecu; secretary, G. S. Dobbins, New Albany; treasurer, A. A. Graham, Blue Mountain; business manager, Dr. W. T. Lowrey.

At the Lake Geneva Students' Conference, held recently, a resolution was adopted of which the following was the prelude, "Whereas, gambling, profanity, dishonesty, immodest dancing, and other social excesses, the use of tobacco and liquor, have become a menace to the student life of our universities and colleges, and are undermining character and the capacity for Christian leadership." Therefore it was resolved "that we place ourselves on record as being unqualifiedly opposed to these destructive practices, and do hereby pledge ourselves, with the help of God to the eradication of the evils from the student life of the colleges and universities of the Middle West." That is one of the best things connected with our colleges and higher schools of which we have heard in this year of grace. Will the students heed it?—Ex.

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EDITORIAL.

A STATE BUDGET FOR BAPTISTS.

With no desire simply to be like other states, with no disposition to follow fads, not influenced consciously by the steps that others have taken to re-adjust methods to growing demands and increasing benevolence, it is yet becoming evident to some of us that we must plan our denominational work anew in Mississippi. These things are set before the brethren generally for their consideration and possible action at the next convention which meets in November at Columbus.

First, there is danger of confusion in the minds of our people, if we do not indeed already have it, by reason of the growing number of objects of benevolence and the multiplying agencies for securing contributions. No criticism is meant here because of the increasing number of objects of benevolence, nor any regret on that account. It is but another way of saying that our opportunities for doing good are growing, that the Lord is trusting us with a larger part in His work, that we are coming to "comprehend with all saints the height and depth and length and breadth," that we are beginning to "know the love of God that passeth knowledge." Far be it from us to complain of the enlarging sphere of the ministry of Christ through His servants. Let us rather glory in it and awake to our privilege as children of God.

But this very growth and healthy enlargement necessitates a study of methods and readjustment of our plans for doing the work. We have now three departments of our mission work (State, home and foreign), and we have a number of other interests and institutions which make their appeals separately to our people and have their independent and unconnected agencies in the field or are planning for them. These are the Education Commission now working to pay for the buildings at the Woman's College and Clarke College the orphanage, the Judson Centennial subscriptions, the special effort to pay the foreign mission debt, the subscriptions made to Mississippi College endowment, the Baptist Hospital in Jackson

and the Baptist Hospital in Memphis. Every one of these is at present owing money which they find it difficult to pay. And to every one of them money is due on subscriptions which they find it difficult to collect.

We are not optimistic enough to suppose that any plan, new or old, is going to put us on easy street and relieve us of the necessity of hard work. Work is what we are here for; but we must learn to work in such a way as to avoid confusion and to make our work count for most, that there may be no lost motion and wasted energy. The average man is going to have considerable difficulty in keeping all these objects in mind and giving them proper consideration. Some plan must be devised by which he will come to regard them all as the Lord's work and by which they will make their appeal to him without the impression that they are in any way in conflict with one another.

Again, it is necessary that some understanding shall be reached by which each one of these interests shall have a perfectly fair consideration and a just proportion of the contributions given to all. Otherwise, the result will depend upon the personal qualities of the agent or trustees rather than the merits of the cause represented. The giving of many people is not determined by mature thought and inquiry as to the merits of the object. In many cases this is impossible. But the giving is either from force of habit or upon an earnest appeal of a good representative. Because of these things a new institution, though equally worthy, may not get proper consideration, or a less aggressive representative may not secure proper recognition. These difficulties were met partially by the appointment of an Education Commission to preserve the balance between the schools. But we need some arrangement by which the balance may be preserved between all the interests of our State work.

Two things are suggested that may afford relief, if they can be worked out. The convention can by a good committee budget all the claims of these various institutions and apportion them out as a recommendation to the churches. Each church being urged to adopt the plan by which all the departments of the work may get proper consideration. The other suggestion is for the appointment of an Executive Committee, either composed of representatives from all our institutions, or one before whom these representatives may come to present their claims. This committee to make recommendations to the convention and to carry out the plans of the convention. Brethren had just as well get to thinking and get together for some plans that will push the work vigorously, harmoniously and proportionately.

THE REWARDS OF LIBERALITY.

In following the course of Paul's instructions to the Corinthians about giving, the last point he makes, the last inducement that he proposes is that giving has rewards that are unfailing which are not to be had by any other means. These rewards are four in number and are enumerated in the

latter half of the ninth chapter of the second letter.

The first is the reward of liberal returns in material things. These are not separated from the others, but intertwined with them. They are not to be separated in experience from the others, for in that case they might cease to be a blessing, and might become a curse. But there can be no question that the apostle had in mind material prosperity in what he says about the rewards to the giver, "He that soweth sparingly shall reap also sparingly; and he that soweth bountifully shall reap also bountifully." He applies this fundamental law of nature to the matter of giving. The Old Testament is prolific of passages which promise material returns for generous giving, and so he quotes from the Old Testament, with the added explanation, "He that supplieth seed to the sower and bread for food, shall supply and multiply your seed for sowing." There ought to linger no doubt in any mind that thus the New Testament assures to the man who gives that his gift will come back to him multiplied. It is even as Jesus says, "Give and it shall be given you, good measure shaken down, running over, shall men give into your bosom."

But the returns are not exhausted in the increase of worldly possession. Indeed this is but the shadow; the substance that abides is in the enlarged spiritual experience. This enlarged spirituality is first of all enlarged liberality. This sounds like a trap and a delusion to the materialist. It seems that you are mocking him when you say that if he will give he will be rewarded with the ability and the disposition to give more. Maybe that seems to him the very thing that he doesn't want. But so it is that what once seemed a hardship to him has become one of his chief sources of joy. Giving becomes gladness, and ever increasing gifts make an ever increasing joy: "Ye being enriched in everything unto all liberality, which worketh through us thanksgiving to God." It becomes a joy to give, and large givers have the largest joy. If you never tried it, it is worth the experiment.

This, however, does not exhaust the reward of giving; it is its beginning. For giving opens the way to enlarged and enlarging spirituality, to growing spiritual insight and power and vision, and efficiency in service. Think not this statement is extravagant. Read what the Book says, "And God is able to make all grace abound unto you; that ye, having always all-sufficiency in everything, may abound unto every good work." Can language be made any stronger? And remember that it is given as the reward for liberal giving. Again in connection with the promise that God will multiply your seed for sowing is joined the assurance, "and increase the fruits of your righteousness."

There is hardly room for doubt that the greatest hindrance to the gospel of Christ today is the dead mass of materialism, the absorbing of men's minds in possessions that are measured in terms of dollars and cents. Or to state it from the obverse side, the greatest opportunity for the attainment of spiritual life and the progress of the

kingdom of God is in the dedication of our material possession to the service of God, in ministry to our fellow men. There is nothing that would so kindle the fires of spiritual passion, light the torch of spiritual vision and produce righteousness in the world and furnish opportunity for righteousness in the giver as the consecration of wealth to God. The fountains of spiritual life in many are dried up through love of money. The vision of truth is obscured, the understanding of God's will is prevented by covetous withholding of our gifts. It was with reference to our attitude toward money that Jesus said, "If thine eye be single, thy whole body shall be full of light but if thine eye be evil, thy whole body shall be full of darkness. And if the light that is in thee be darkness, how great is the darkness. To get right on this money question will help us to get right on many others. It will be the making of 'all grace abound, that we having always all-sufficiency in all things may abound unto every good work.'"

The last reward that is mentioned in this connection by Paul is that of widening and increasing the fellowship of God's people in their common joy in Him. "For the ministration of this service (giving) not only filleth up the measure of the wants of the saints, but aboundeth also through many thanksgivings unto God; seeing that by the proving of you by this ministration, they glorify God for the obedience of your confession unto the gospel of Christ; while they themselves also, with supplication on your behalf, long after you by reason of the exceeding grace of God in you." The very exuberance of this language is expression of the joy that is awakened in other Christian hearts when the grace is revealed in ours. When the light breaks forth on our faces, it is reflected instantly in others. Our giving is the cause of joy in those who receive and their joy finds its echo in our own souls. They and we are joined in abiding fellowship of thanksgiving to God.

The real joy of life is found in fellowship with others; the abundance of life must have its roots in the widest and surest fellowship of the saints. Only "with all saints" can we comprehend the height and depth and length and breadth." One way, Jesus' way of making friends, of increasing the circle of those in whom we live, and who afford us our chief joy here and our sure reward in the world to come is "by means of the mammon of unrighteousness, that when it fails they may receive us into the eternal habitations. Giving has its reward in those who are brought thus into fellowship with us. The liberal soul shall thus be made fat.

PROHIBITION FIGHT STILL ON.

A conference of citizens from different parts of the State, opposed to the referendum on the liquor laws, was held at Jackson on July 13, 1916, at which the following was authorized to be given out to the press:

The prohibitionists of the State have enjoined the secretary of state from acting upon certain petitions appealing to the referendum to set aside the liquor laws passed

by the last Legislature. In thus restoring to the courts to maintain the integrity of the laws as they now stand and to protect the people against the vicious effects of the old gallon law, sought to be brought into effect again, the prohibitionists of the State, and especially the Anti-Saloon League, have become responsible for the sum of about \$1,000, this amount being necessary to cover the actual expenses of postage and clerical work in meeting the combined attack of the liquor men.

An appeal is now made to the prohibitionists throughout the State, and to all those who favor the enforcement of the liquor laws and opposed to the repeal of our present excellent legislation, to make contribution and to provide a sum to meet the present necessities. Very able and learned lawyers have generously consented to give their services in behalf of temperance and the maintenance of the present status so far as the liquor laws are concerned, and therefore it will not be necessary to provide any attorneys' fees. But there are other expenses incident to a contest involving such momentous issues as are presented by this controversy, and therefore we must have some means, and we want it quick.

We suggest that temperance rallies be held all over the State to make plain to the people the excellence and righteousness of the present law, and we appeal especially to the ministers all over the State to take up this good work and to organize and co-operate with the good laymen in every community to the end that by the mighty impact of the combined forces of temperance and Christianity the efforts of the liquor dealers, blind tiger keepers, and others who would profit by a nefarious liquor traffic, may be defeated.

A special message will go out to the ministers and other prominent persons in the State. Responses to these and any contributions may be sent to T. B. Lampton, chairman of the finance committee, Jackson, Miss.

A brother in the Christian Index, in advocating the right of women to speak in mixed assemblies, quotes Paul to the Gallatians: There is neither Jew nor Greek; there is neither bond nor free; there is neither male nor female for ye are all one in Christ Jesus." And yet there are laws against women wearing men's clothes, which the brother doubtless approves. It is strange to what utter folly of interpretation people are led where they pay no attention to the Scripture context. The point and the only point which Paul is contending for in this Scripture (Gal. 3:23-29) is that all people have equal access to God through Christ by faith alone. The worst thing about a heretical practice is that it belittles the Scriptures by denying their authority or twisting all the sense out of it.

The Sunday School at Water Valley has recently purchased a new Laffargue piano costing \$350. This is the second piano that this school has bought since Brother Walker has been on the field.

Some sensible brother has worked out a practical program on paper for the substitution of scholarships for battleships, by which the cost of one battleship a year spent in educating young men from other lands in the United States, would result in sending back each year 20,000 young men with American ideals and friendships to their homes as permanent advocates of peace and good will. There are many ways of spending our surplus millions better than putting them into engines of destruction. God hasten the day.

Senator Hoke Smith, of Georgia, deserves the support of every man who loves decency and righteousness in the bill he has introduced into Congress denying the use of the mails to send liquor circulars into prohibition territory. Why should decent people be insulted with whiskey literature in their mail, any more than circulars from a gambling house or brothel? The shutting out of the Louisiana lottery from the mails put it out of business and it can be done in the case of the whiskey business.

"When a Man's a Man," Harold Bell Wright's new novel, will be published August 10th. This is said to be the best book this popular author has written. Those who send cash with order before publication date will receive the book by mail on the date of publication, just as if you bought it in New York or Chicago. The price is \$1.35, net. Address The Baptist Record Book Store, Jackson, Miss.

Pastor Madison Flowers has resigned at Summit and after spending the summer in revival meetings, will enter the Fort Worth Seminary in October. He is an alumnus of Mississippi College, and has done good work.

The Southern Sociological Congress is arranging for a demonstration car for extension work to be done by specialists up and down the various railroad lines throughout the South.

The Word and Way quotes what was recently said in The Record about Rev. Jesse H. Buck, of Macon, Miss., only changing it to Macon, Ga. The right man, but the wrong pew!

Rev. J. G. Gilmore began a meeting with the Bethel church, Lawrence county, and Pastor W. S. Rogers on July 10th. Prayer is asked for His blessing on the meeting.

Mrs. Bryan Simmons, of Morton, who has been at the Mississippi Baptist Hospital for a few days, is doing well and in a few days will be out again.

Dr. E. Y. Mullins is at work on a new book on theology. It will take its place among the permanent contributions as one of the best.

The Chinese ambassador to this country is said to be a Baptist — member now of a church in New York State.

Department of the Convention Board

J. BENJ. LAWRENCE, Cor. Sec., Jackson, Miss.

He who drifts always goes in the wrong direction.

The worst man is the least troubled by his conscience.

The time for the special effort in raising the debt on the Foreign Mission Board expires July 31st. Let all contributions for this object be in this office by that date.

Convention Minutes.

We announced last week that the minutes of the Southern Baptist Convention for 1916 had been received. So far we have had very few requests for these minutes. I do not know of any document so full of information about Baptist work as these minutes. Every interested worker should have a copy. You will find data for answering the objections that are being made to our organized work in these minutes, and, also, you will find material for addresses and sermons on every phase of the work fostered by Southern Baptists. **The minutes are free for the asking.** If you want to send postage to cover expense of mailing, just enclose five cents in stamps. You will get the minutes however, whether you send the stamps or not.

Duty First.

That man has learned very little in the great school of life, who does not know that he will find infinitely more satisfaction in resolutely facing the stern, hard duty than he can ever hope to find in running away from it for something which is soft and easy. We hear a great deal now about "Safety First." But it is man's destruction to be safe when for the truth he ought to die. "Safety First" may be a good motto in some matters, but it is a poor motto in the realm of ethics. "Duty First" is really a safer, and indeed a much more comfortable, motto to follow; for a man is never safe or comfortable until he is right with his conscience, and no man can be right with his conscience until he makes "Duty First" his motto.

Helping One Another.

Christ uttered a great truth when He said, "Do unto others as you would have them do unto you." This statement of our Lord acts and reacts in a way that few people ever dream of. The more selfish a person is, the more he wants things to come his way, the more he is inclined to think that people ought to treat him nice, if he follows the Golden Rule the more he will have to do for others. His very selfishness would constrain him to do more for others since he expects more from others. But the very opposite, of course, is true; it is the unselfish person who comes nearer living up to the Golden Rule.

There are many little things, however, that cost us nothing, that we might do for

others, the doing of which would not only help make their life's burdens lighter and their days more bright, but would also help us. For instance, I received a letter the other day among the many letters of appreciation which come to the office, from one of Mississippi's most honored men, which brought a halo of gladness with it. The writer said, "I read with pleasure and with profit, too, your 'Principles of Conduct,' published in The Baptist Record, of the 6th inst., and feel like telling you so. Those principles are taught in Holy Scripture, and it was from that fountain of eternal truth you drew from and formulated them, and when thus correlated in our manner of thinking, we grasp them with ease and may apply them to every-day living. The writer joins you in prayerful desire to be governed by those thought-out principles, and may God help us, I pray."

May we all catch the spirit of Brother O. D. Bowen, of Gulfport, Miss., the writer of the above letter, and endeavor to encourage and help our brethren into a higher and better and more efficient life of service. We only pass this way once. We meet and part. The opportunity to speak a helpful word is given and then we pass on into eternity. Shall there be eternal regret over lost opportunities, over cutting words of criticism, over kind things we thought but never said? May the Lord help us to cultivate the spirit of helpfulness and to form the habit of saying kind and helpful things.

Growing a Missionary Church.

Churches cannot be made as we make a machine—they are grown. As there is progress in the individual Christian life, so is there progress in the development of church life. If we are to have missionary churches we shall have to grow them nurturing the spiritual life implanted in the members by the Divine Spirit, with the truth of God's Word. This requires time, effort and a real teacher of God's Word.

The general teaching of the New Testament is that every disciple is to be a missionary, with a personal obligation to his Lord and to the lost world to spread the gospel. This personal responsibility can never be merged into a body, nor lost in a multitude of disciples, so as to cease to be operative. When merged into the body called the church, it is just as binding as it was before, but it then becomes, also, a church responsibility as well as an individual responsibility. This makes the obligation twofold. The individual disciple is not only personally obligated to carry the gospel as an individual into all the world, but as a member of the church he is also obligated to see that the church to which he belongs takes up this responsibility and becomes a missionary body.

I discussed last week the pastor's importance. I tried to show that he is not only the

key-man, but he is the man to whom God looks in carrying out the Great Commission. Therefore, in growing a missionary church, he is the most responsible one. The development of the church will be in proportion to his activities. If he be missionary, then his church will ultimately become a missionary body, or else he will be constrained to seek a field for service that is more in harmony with his own feeling.

I want to speak now about the responsibility of the members in bringing about the development of the church in missions. It is possible for a church to make or mar a pastor. Their way of thinking about things and their attitude toward things are going to have their effect upon him in his preaching. For instance, I received a letter from a pastor not long since, bemoaning the impossibility of doing anything in his church for missions. He said that the members absolutely refused to allow a collection to be taken or to have missions preached from the pulpit. Such a church as this so limits the pastor until he cannot bring the information to them necessary for their development. I received a letter from another pastor in which he said, that one of the leading men in his church would give nothing to missions. This man said that he wished he had never subscribed to The Baptist Record, for there was nothing in it but appeals for money, and he was tired of that kind of thing, until he could not stand it any longer. Such members as this not only deny their individual responsibility, but they throw off the whole authority of Jesus, nullify the teachings of the New Testament and set up their own opinion independent of what the Lord has said or commanded. It is impossible to grow a missionary church where the co-operation of the membership is lacking.

There are many things that church members can do to help the pastor in developing the church. First among these, he is to study the New Testament, recognizing that it is the Word of God and that there is no appeal for its authority. This will assist the pastor in preaching. The reason that so much of the preaching of today is "over the heads of the people," as so-called, is because the people are so poorly versed in the Scripture that they do not appreciate the references made to the Word of God by the pastor. **It is impossible to be missionary without being grounded in the faith. It is impossible to be grounded in the faith without a knowledge of the Bible. It is impossible to have a knowledge of the Bible without being missionary.** Now, if there is any one who questions this statement, I challenge him to a test of its truthfulness. Let him read faithfully and conscientiously and prayerfully the New Testament, thoroughly familiarizing himself with all that is taught therein and praying God to lead him in the understanding of it, and if he does not come to be an enthusiastic missionary, then I will take back the statement made above.

Another way in which the members can assist the pastor in developing the mission spirit of the church is to co-operate with him in securing information about the denomination and its work. It is useless to think of educating a people who refuse to

be educated. Information can only be given to those who will receive it. The pastor may urge his people to take the denominational paper and they may take it because of his urging, but unless they are willing to read it, it has no message for them. The same is true with reference to the mission journals and also with reference to mission tracts. In Holy Writ it is said, "My people perish for lack of knowledge." Today churches are drying up spiritually and becoming o-missionary for lack of knowledge. The poor pastor is losing sleep at nights trying to devise plans whereby he can arouse the interest of his people, but they either do not attend the services of the church, or if they attend, sit listlessly through the service; they do not read the denominational paper; they do not read denominational tracts; they do not read the Bible; they will not be instructed. Until our people are willing to receive information, the problem of growing a missionary church is all but unsolvable.

I hope that our pastors all over this State will clip this article from The Baptist Record and read it to their churches Sunday morning, and, if possible, get a show of hands on the members who are willing to co-operate with him in an effort to become intelligent Baptists, for a well-informed Baptist is always a missionary Baptist.

THE DEATH OF DR. R. H. HUDNALL.

The following notice was sent by Prof. Aven:

The following announcement of Dr. R. H. Hudnall's death will be read with deep regret and sorrow by all his school mates and alumni. Dr. Hudnall was one of the true friends of Mississippi College. He had kept in close touch with his alma mater throughout all these years since his graduation. I remember him well as a student. He was graduated the first year I taught in the college, and I never had a more genial spirit in my classes. He was conscientious and accurate in his work, and at that early stage in his literary career, he displayed the real student and thinker. The following clipping is taken from the Religious Herald:

On Sunday night, June 11th, Dr. R. H. Hudnall, for eighteen years, professor of English in Virginia Polytechnic Institute, departed this life. He had been a patient sufferer for many years, but did all of his work as usual up to the last week before his death. Even during these last few days, with great suffering, he graded all of his papers and finished all of his work. Then,

"Like one who wraps the drapery of his couch
About him, and lies down to pleasant dreams,"

so he rested from all of his labors. The funeral service was held on Tuesday morning on the lawn in front of his late residence on the campus. The service was in charge of Dr. Jackson of Alexandria, a former pastor of the Blacksburg Baptist church, and for many years a warm friend of Dr. Hudnall's. After the service the body was taken to Lynchburg for burial, accompanied by

representatives of the church and faculty.

Dr. Hudnall was a man of scholarly attainments, having won his A. B. degree from Mississippi College in 1890, his M. A. degree from the University of Virginia in 1894, and his Ph. D. from Leipsic, Germany, in 1898. Ever since coming to the V. P. I., in 1899, he has taken a very active part in educational affairs and in the work of the Baptist church. His informing articles and stirring addresses have made him well known throughout the State and the South. But few laymen have taken a more active part in the affairs of our denomination than he did. He was deeply interested in every phase of the work, but the cause which lay most closely to his heart was Christian education, and especially the work of our secondary schools. He gave much of his time and means to this noble cause, and was greatly disappointed when these schools failed to receive from the Baptists of the State the amount they so much needed. He was a noble type of Christian character. His humble spirit, friendly and cordial disposition, his sympathetic and liberal heart; his pure life, all made him an inspiration to those who came in touch with him. His devotion to duty, his systematic habits, his faithfulness to all of his responsibilities that made claims upon his time and talents, his courage under suffering, his indomitable will power, are some of his well-known characteristics.

We shall miss him in the church, in the community, in our great denomination. We need such laymen. May his spirit kindle fresh courage in our hearts for our tasks and for our sufferings.

P. F. DAVIS,

Pastor of Blackburg Baptist Church.

The Baptist Courier does us the honor to reproduce the editorial on "Changes in the Boards." We think it carries its own message and speaks plainly enough to be understood, though more and plainer things could be spoken if necessary. We gave as one reason for consolidating the boards that it would enable us to get out of some kinks and ruts which local and personal influences had brought about. This is the only way to save us from further embarrassment as we see it. Some of these embarrassing things were indicated. However, this was only one reason given for changes in the boards. Others were mentioned in our original article. It is a little difficult to know whether the Courier and The Record are talking about the same thing. The policies spoken of referred to the question of what men and how many should be employed.

Long ago the Masonic order in Mississippi forbade their members to have anything to do with the liquor traffic. We are glad to see that in Chicago recently the Masonic temple has had a house-cleaning, putting out a saloon that had kept its viper nest there for a long time. These are among the signs of the coming of the kingdom.

Rev. R. H. Purser is now located in Brookhaven, his old home, where he is held in high esteem. He will be engaged in meetings through the summer, being in great demand in the churches through this territory.

When a man owns his money, he may be happy, but when his money owns him he must be unhappy.

The church in Water Valley is enjoying a series of sermons by the pastor, Rev. A. A. Walker, on "The Work of the Church." The services are conducted every evening at eight o'clock, and large congregations are in attendance, especially among the men.

Irish potatoes will open their eyes in astonishment at the statement of a French scientist that they are responsible for idiocy. Being thin-skinned, they are likely to get their Irish up, but what can the poor things do?—they are likely to get roasted if they say anything.

The report is that when asked for the difference between the Democratic and Republican candidates for the presidency, Colonel Roosevelt replied that there was none which a barber could not remove in ten minutes. However, the Colonel seems to be undergoing some change of mind more recently, as he has lined up with Mr. Hughes, whiskers and all.

We are glad to know that Mrs. P. H. Eager, of Clinton, is convalescing after an operation for appendicitis at the Jackson Sanatorium. We hope for her a happy and complete recovery. Another well known Baptist at the Mississippi Baptist Hospital is Rev. W. A. Roper, pastor at Kosciusko, who, when last heard from, was doing well. We hope that he will soon be out and greeting his friends.

The secular press reports that the petition that has been circulated over the State to vote on the new law against advertising liquor did not secure enough signatures and so the law stands like it is. The petition with reference to the one quart of whiskey every two weeks secured the required number of signatures and the law will have to be voted on in November. According to the judgment of some this allows one to order one gallon as under the old law, until the matter is settled by vote of the people in November. This means that the fight is on afresh and every true man and Christian ought to be ready to sustain the new law by his vote in November.

A brother asks The Record if there is mention in the Bible of self-righteousness. The word itself does not occur in the Bible but the thing is spoken of and condemned. For example, in Isaiah 64:6 the prophet says, "All our righteousnesses are as filthy rags." Again in Rom. 10:3 Paul expresses anxiety for the salvation of those who "Being ignorant of God's righteousness and seeking to establish their own do not subject themselves to the righteousness of God." See also Daniel 9:7, "O Lord righteousness belongeth unto Thee; but unto us confusion of face as at this day;" and I Corinthians 1:30, "But of Him are ye in Christ Jesus who was made unto us wisdom from God and righteousness and sanctification." There are many more passages to the same effect.

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All societies in Mississippi should send quarterly reports to Miss M. M. Lackey, Jackson, Miss., but all money should be sent to Rev. J. B. Lawrence, Jackson, Miss., except Training School Funds, which should be sent to Mrs. W. C. Longest, 15 West Franklin St., Baltimore, Md.; and the Literature Fund, which should be sent to Miss M. M. Lackey, Jackson, Miss.

In the morning, then ye shall see the glory of the Lord.—Ex. 16:7.

Seeing the Lord; rejoicing in hope, patient in tribulation, continuing instant in prayer.—Rom. 12:11-12.

Be patient with every one, but above all with thyself. Meaning this do not be disturbed because of your imperfection, and always rise up bearely from a fall. Be glad that you make a daily new beginning; there is no better means of progress in the spiritual life than to be continually beginning afresh, and never think we have done enough.

Each "day" is a fair clean sheet."

"At sunrise every soul is born again."

"And bide you wake, and rise to fight again."

Be sure and attend the encampment at Hattiesburg.

Thanks are due Mesdames H. L. Martin and C. T. Owen and Miss Nell Bullock for copies of "Ideals" sent this office.

The Year Books have been sent out; some of them direct to individual societies, and some to superintendents, who will send them at once to each of their local societies. It is urged that the officer receiving this Year Book will use it at each meeting of her local society. Every paragraph in the book should be read aloud and discussed. The lesson on the circle plan is especially fine. If your society fails to receive a copy of the book, please write to your superintendent or to this office.

You all read with interest, I am sure, the splendid letter from Miss Pearl Johnson in our last issue. It is with great pleasure that we record here that the Y. W. A. of the First church, Jackson, will take up the school she mentions and support same.

Your attention is again called to the fact that our State missionary, Miss Hattie Stallings, will sail the last of September. Let us remember her, beloved, in a number of ways—letter, postcard, gifts of clothing, some dainty article for her room or wardrobe.

Stockings in Japan cost one dollar a pair—very ordinary ones—and every time the missionary enters a home she must take off

her shoes; hence they must be neat and whole. Under the circumstances, well darned hose might not be permissible. Sisters put these two things together. Then remember our dear Carrie Hooker Childs is over there.

Let us pray without ceasing during this month that the debt on the Foreign Mission Board will be raised. When we pray we will also give. We believe the Spirit of the Lord is moving in the matter and a great victory is in sight.

The story hour at Hattiesburg is being delightfully planned for by that superb primary teacher, Miss Jennie Watts. Not only the young people, but the elders should attend this hour. Go and learn how to tell the beautiful mission stories to your own little folks.

Our president, Mrs. G. W. Riley, will teach the Year Book during the encampment. She has already outlined each day's lesson, and has good things well worth while for us. Let us be sure and get them.

Miss Traylor plans to be in the encampment at Hattiesburg, and your secretary hopes to have the privilege for a few days at least.

A Request from Miss Mallory.

In trying to get complete files of the Woman's Missionary Union annual meeting minutes for the Union president, Mrs. James, and the new secretary, Miss Dixon, I find that I need two copies of each of the following years' minutes: 1897, 1906, 1907, 1908, 1909 and 1910. One copy for 1898 is also needed. The file for Mrs. Lowndes lacks a copy for 1897, and I need in addition for my file a copy of each of the following years: 1897, 1906, 1908, 1909 and 1910. Then for Miss Dixon's file of "Royal Service" there is needed a copy of each of the following issues: November 1914; February, March and May, 1915; and April, 1916. Send direct to Baltimore office.

Woman's Day, Blue Mountain Encampment.

Monday, July 3rd, was set apart by the Blue Mountain Encampment as W. M. U. Day.

Our State president, Mrs. Riley, presided with her usual grace and ease. A brother remarked that as a presiding officer she had no superior and few equals among either men or women.

Miss Mallory was with us with her attractive personality and her consecrated messages.

Mrs. Janie Lowrey Graves, of Canton, China, and Mrs. J. Franklin Ray, of Shimonoeki, Japan, were the principal speakers of the morning. After the opening hymn, and prayer led by Dr. Dobbins, Mrs. M. P. L. Berry, of Hillman College, prepared all hearts for the coming messages by singing "Somebody."

The president introduced Miss Mallory, who gave words of greeting. Mrs. Graves was then introduced, who brought in her

own splendid manner a plain, practical review of the work in Big China.

Following her came Mrs. Ray, who had been in the homeland only a short while. In words that burned deeply into the hearts of her hearers, she spoke of her beloved field, "The Spot on the side of the Road to China." Those who had the privilege of listening will not soon forget; and will be ready with hand and purse to help the two and one-half millions of people who have but these two missionaries to serve them.

The evening session was given over entirely to our secretary, Miss Mallory, who spoke first of the lessons brought by our year's watchword, "Steadfastly in Prayer and Ministry."

This was followed by a talk on our Training School, in which she explained the pictures which were shown on a stereopticon.

It was a great day, filled full of information and inspiration.

Water Valley W. M. S.

The W. M. S., of the Water Valley Baptist church, organized into four circles in January, 1916.

By this method more leaders are being developed, personal workers increased, greater interest in Bible and mission study aroused, larger contributions made, and the enrollment swelled.

The following amounts have been our gifts during the past six months: South Circle, \$74.32; North Circle, \$62.26; East Circle, \$50.55; Central Circle, \$43.18.

At a social feature and mission study, Mesdames B. A. Boydston and J. R. Markette were hostesses of the W. M. S. in an unusually interesting program, rendered in their Baraca hall last Monday afternoon.

Mrs. M. W. Jackson led the missionary program, the theme being "The Cross."

Mrs. Ida H. Jones and Miss Hilwa Smith, invited guests, sang "Must I Go and Empty Handed."

An interesting feature was the exhibit of an antique cup and saucer of Mrs. Kennedy, given her by her grandmother, Mrs. Ann Shaw, a charter member, who received it as a souvenir at a tea party, given by the "Ladies Aid" about forty-eight years ago.

MRS. J. R. MARKETTE, Sec'y.

The Foreign Mission Debt.

The day this issue of The Record comes out is the day that we must close our books in regard to the debt.

From many societies over the State have come word that they would gladly help; and they are helping. For of the amounts sent in to date most of them have come from our W. M. U.

But we all will have to be sure that we meet the amounts on time. Whatever we do, let us do quickly, as well as lovingly. Be sure that your part of the "love gift" reaches us before the close of the 20th. If you have failed to send the collection when you read this, just wire your secretary that it is coming.

"I gave my life for thee;
What hast thou given for me?"

COLUMBUS SECOND CHURCH.

The revival, which lasted ten days, closed early in June. Rev. J. W. Hickerson, evangelist of the Southern Baptist Convention Board, did the preaching. This is the second revival this church has held since the coming of the present pastor, something more than eight months ago, resulting in more than 100 accessions to the church within that time.

The forceful, fearless and earnest preaching of Brother Hickerson was seed sown in good ground, and a harvest of thirty-five additions was reaped. Of this number, there were twenty-nine by baptism, and among them five heads of families, together with noble young men and women, bright boys and girls, all enlisting in the Master's cause for service.

The beautiful baptismal service occurred on the I. I. & C. campus, President Whitfield having kindly offered us the college pool. Nor does the story end here: "To him that hath shall be given." Believing this, on the last night of the meeting the church voted to increase the pastor's salary \$120, this amount having already been secured in additional and increased subscriptions. More than this, the pastor was presented with

a set of dining room chairs valued at \$15. Isn't this enough to make a pastor's heart rejoice, and cause him to be more loving and loyal and earnest?

Music is an essential element in all revivals. The gentle and holy sentiment of the gospel hymns brings to the melting point frailer and contrite hearts, and then the tender appeal of the loving Savior who ever says, "Come unto me" is irresistible. In planning for the music, Mrs. J. P. Harrington was engaged. She is talented in this direction. As the wife of a revivalist for some years, her familiarity with the work was displayed by the tact shown in the selection of the songs and as musical director. Both Mrs. Harrington and Mrs. Hickerson did much personal work. By their cordial dispositions, they have endeared themselves to the whole of the Second church.

Mingled prayers and tears, exchange of kind expressions and fond adieus, the exponents of a love feast, marked the close of this blessed revival, empanneling in our memories bright pictures of Rev. and Mrs. Hickerson.

"Bless the Lord, O my soul!"

W. I. ALLEN, Pastor.

SHUBUTA.

Rev. O. P. Estes was ordained after the call. He had no experience as a pastor, unassuming, very spiritually minded, humble and tactful. As ex-officio superintendent of the Sunday School, he has been exceedingly helpful. He has inspired in the membership of the church a desire to do something for the Master and to prepare themselves to do what they do intelligently. He has had the teachers spend many weary hours studying and has worked faithfully and patiently instructing them in the course they are about to complete and receive certificates. He is leading the church to complete a work Brother Chandler did here in building Sunday School rooms. The laying aside of the old and putting on the new. It means organization, classification and specialization in order that we may be able to give the greatest possible service in the shortest possible time. It means our Sunday School is to be operated on the same wise plan and with the same business methods that would be applied to other educational institutions, and that pupils are to be placed in departments and in a class fitted to their ages and conditions, and furnished with teachers specially equipped for their instruction. It means that our Sunday School is partially organized into departments and that responsibility and labor is so distributed as to make it possible for each individual to carry out his special work without interference from other departments giving to the school as a whole greater efficiency for service. I have been called the superintendent of the Shubuta Sunday School for about forty years, and I feel that we have been playing Sunday School. Brother Chandler and Brother Estes deserve credit for this place having the best equipped building south of Meridian on the Mobile & Ohio, and only lack one star of having the standard of excellence complete in stars. We have full time pastor, a live W. M. U., Senior and Junior B. Y. P. U., Sunbeams, etc. Brother Franks, of Durant, did the preaching in a series of meetings in the Baptist church and Brother Dan Kelly in the Methodist church that gave the town a spiritual uplift.

W. H. PATTON.

Shubuta, Miss.

ITTA BENA.

We are greatly indebted to Dr. I. A. Hailey for having come to us in the hour of our disappointment. We were expecting Dr. J. W. Porter, of Lexington, Ky., to begin a series of meetings with us June thirteenth, but the special meeting of the Foreign Mission Board made it impossible for him to be with us.

Brother Hailey with the facts in the case stated, kindly came and lent a helping hand. We had the Clarke Memorial quartet to the delight of every lover of song.

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"Apparently he had not been gone long when some Jewish Christians from Jerusalem came to Corinth and undertook to discredit Paul's preaching and undermine his influence. Among the Jewish Christians there were many teachers, more Jewish than Christian, who could not forgive Paul for refusing to teach his Gentile converts to observe the Jewish rites, and they never missed an opportunity to make trouble among his churches. They seemed to follow him everywhere and in their zeal to offset his teaching and convince the Gentile Christians that he was wrong, and that they must submit to the Jewish law if they would be saved, they did not hesitate to say anything that might discredit him in their eyes."

Lesson Teachings.

Foolishness and Power.—In Isaiah 29:14, we read "the wisdom of their wise men shall perish, and the understanding of their prudent men shall be hid." Paul had noted that his experience with the Jews was but a fulfillment of this prophecy. He had noted that they could not get that prejudice which would prohibit their accepting Christ as the Messiah. He noted that it was in reality a stumbling block. The fact was that their conceit had pictured to them a Messiah of royal blood and one to serve as a temporal prince, and so they did not deign to acknowledge one so lowly in birth as was the Master. They literally despised Him and looked upon Him as wholly unworthy because He had been hanged on a tree. He utterly refused to gratify their whims in demanding signs. His life and works were enough for any one who wanted to know the truth. The Greeks could not understand, because the idea of a crucified Savior was amusing to them, and especially the way the apostle set it forth. It was foolishness to them, because the Greeks sought for wisdom. "They were men of wit and reading men that had cultivated arts and sciences, and had, for some ages, been in a manner the very mint of knowledge and learning. There was nothing in the plain doctrine of the cross to suit their taste, or humor their vanity, or gratify a curious and wrangling temper; they entertained it, therefore, with scorn and contempt."

Wisdom and Power.—If the gospel was foolishness to the Greeks and a stumbling block to the Jews,

yet it is the power of God to us who are saved, and, thank God, even to those who have open hearts to receive the truth. It is the wisdom of God. The regenerated soul has a power that the world knows not of. His privilege of communing with God is the point which, other things being equal, makes the difference in power over the unregenerate man. It is the child of God that is able to "discern more glorious discoveries of God's wisdom and power in the doctrine of Christ crucified, than in all His other works." Read Isaiah 29:20, "the terrible one is brought to naught, and the scorner is consumed, and all that watch for iniquity is cut off." In this we see how the gospel triumphs over the wisdom of the world. In the simple story of the cross all the wisdom of men falls to naught, and the scheme of redemption lies far out of the ken of worldly wisdom and philosophy. "When God would save the world He took a way by Himself." In this course God showed the greater wisdom, for the world by wisdom knew not God, so it pleased God by the foolishness of preaching to save them that believe." The worldly-wise men cannot understand how we live through one who died and how we are blessed through one who had been made a curse. It is all a mystery, and the unsaved man must realize that in his lost condition there is but one way of escape, and that God is more willing and anxious to save men than they are to be saved and it should be impressed upon the unsaved of your class, dear teacher, that God has never put one in a condition of being lost without at the same time making a way for his salvation. But in addition to the impossibility of Paul's proposition, was it not something of a startling thing to call a few fishermen and command them to disciple the world? And yet has the foolishness of God proven to be wiser than men?

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Mrs. Fannie Conn passed away at her home in Alcorn county at the age of 78. She was born in Halifax county, Va., the daughter of one of Mississippi's pioneer preachers, Rev. O. D. Fitzgerald, and was an active Christian for more than sixty-five years, being the last of the charter members of the Kossuth Baptist church. After she was seventy years old she took the Sunday School teachers' training course. She had been a model of faithfulness in her church and home life. She was a reader of The Baptist Record since its first publication.

She is survived by several children: Hal, W. D. and J. R. Conn, Mrs. B. O. Dilworth and Mrs. T. J. Dalton, of this county, and Mrs. R. A. Kimbrough, of Shreveport, La. She also leaves several brothers and sisters—Dow Fitzgerald, Mrs. Belle McFadden, Mrs. Jennie Morton, Mrs. M. L. Morrison and W. W. Fitzgerald.

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He was God's own gift to them and the Lord took him where his life would count for most. But he still lives—lives on earth and in heaven, too. We thank God for such a gift, even for so short a time. We could not have enjoyed him long at best and we shall not long be separated from him.

He was a great boy in every sense of the word. He loved the things that boys love, but he was unusual. There was in his life a dignity and a stately bearing that lifted him out of his class and made us all feel like calling him a "little man." Though small in stature he had a most perfect physical form and was as handsome as a prince.

He made a brave fight against death and a hard fight was made for him, but the Sovereign Distributor of good brought to naught all our efforts and took him into a higher sphere; and none can doubt that he is happy now, and just as unusual in heaven as he was on earth.

He was a Christian. He was born in a Christian home and brought up in the "nurture and admonition of the Lord." He was an intelligent Christian. He was as fine a listener as I ever preached to. Even before he made a profession of religion he was an eager hearer of the Word.

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Therefore, dear parents, if he is hidden in the chamber of the grave from the evil of sin, and the evil of suffering, let us not have an evil eye, since God is good. What you chiefly wished for him and prayed on his behalf was spiritual and heavenly blessings. If the greatest thing you wished for is accomplished at the season and in the manner Infinite Wisdom saw best, I know you will not refuse to be comforted. Think now upon those whom your attention may make fitter for the place to which he has gone, while you think none the less of him.

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Pastor Garrett, of Itta Bena, was in a good meeting with Pastor Huffstatter, at Silver City, last week. The people did not fail to get the pure gospel.

Pastor S. B. Ferguson, of Rome, began a meeting with his church last Sunday. He has Evangelist E. J. Isenhower to do the preaching. The outlook is fine for a great revival.

Rev. A. M. Croxton, of Ada, Okla., has been elected to teach in Ouachita College, Arkadelphia, Ark. He has been a successful pastor and will doubtless prove a success in his new field.

The Blue Mountain Encampment was well attended. Every service was excellent. The women had a great meeting. Good work was done in the various classes. A general good time was had.

The First church, Fayetteville, Ark., had secured the services of Dr. A. E. Booth, of Harrisburg, Ill., as pastor. He will take charge on September 1. There are some choice saints at Fayetteville.

Dr. Chas. W. Daniels has decided to remain with the First church, Atlanta, Ga. The Gaston avenue church, Dallas, Texas, covets the best gifts. But they must look in another direction now.

Evangelist John W. Ham, of Atlanta, Ga., has just closed a meeting at Duke, N. C. There were sixty-six additions. It was a union meeting and many of the professors joined other denominations.

Clarke Memorial College expects a great session this fall and winter. The new president, Rev. Bryan Simmons, is sparing no labor to have everything in superb condition. A strong faculty has been elected.

Anderson College, Anderson, S. C., has secured the services of Rev. Ed. S. Reaves as dean of the school of Bible and Christian service. Dr. John E. White, so recently of Atlanta, Ga., is the efficient president.

Dr. Harry Leland Martin is aiding Pastor J. A. Ousley this week in a meeting of much power. Every thing indicates success. The church at Jamestown is new, but composed of some fine brethren and sisters.

Dr. Len G. Broughton, of Knoxville, Tenn., will supply the pulpit of the Los Angeles White Temple during his vacation. His pulpit will be filled by Dr. W. A. Hobson, of Florida. This is a healthy exchange.

Evangelist J. F. Black closed a meeting in which the Holy Spirit was manifested in great power, at Princeton, N. C., last week. Some of the most influential people of the town joined the church. R. L. Smith led the singing.

Brown University, Providence, R. I., recently celebrated the one hundred and forty-eighth commencement. The university conferred 250 degrees—seven honorary. This is the largest number ever conferred at one commencement.

Dr. A. J. Holt has been chosen editor of the Baptist Witness and will take complete control August 31. Dr. Holt recently resigned the First church, Kissimmee. He is one of our strongest and most capable men. The choice was a wise one.

Recently, Dr. John E. White, Anderson, S. C., preached a sermon on "Supreme Politics." It attracted the people so much they requested him to repeat it, which he did. No trouble to get people interested in politics, picture shows, or baseball.

Evangelist J. H. Dew recently closed a fine meeting at Hartwell, S. C. There were sixty-one professions of faith and of these fifty-four joined the church. Brother Dew relies on the Word of God and the Holy Spirit to accomplish the work.

Pastor A. C. Heydon, Oakland Park church, Kansas City, was recently aided by Pastor Sam Bristow, of Newton, Kansas, in a gracious meeting. There were fifty-three additions—forty-seven by baptism. In the number was an entire Catholic family, consisting of four members.

The Alabama Baptist thinks we load the debts of our boards on the secretaries. Some may do that but we believe most of the brethren think it was brought on by introducing other objects and pressing their claims upon our people. We had too much expense in running the boards. The members of the boards came to see that.

Brother S. R. Love, of Alabama, to show the advantage of a Sunday School in the country, says, "Out of seventy-four churches in North Alabama without schools, thirty-eight reported no baptisms, twenty-one gave nothing for missions—perfect stagnation, thirteen per cent were pastorless. A Sunday School is an aid in many ways."

BUDE AND MEADVILLE.

We have just closed a good meeting at Bude, Miss.; had twelve for baptism and six by letter. Rev. H. H. Webb, of Moss Point, was the efficient helper and did some fine preaching. Brother Webb is a fine protracted meeting preacher and we can recommend him to the brotherhood as being first-class. No one will make a mistake to secure his services in their meeting.

The town of Bude and the church are only about four years old, and has nearly 2,000 people. We have about 175 members. They have in twelve months built a house of worship and seated it; have preaching twice each month; a weekly prayer meeting, a B. Y. P. U., Sunday School and W. M. U. and Sunbeam Band. Look for Bude—she is coming!

We raised \$65 for foreign missions, bought a pastor's home, baptized six, have a B. Y. P. U., W. M. U., prayer meeting, Sunday School and a Sunbeam Band at Meadville. Meadville and Bude have been very kind to their pastor and family since moving here. The W. M. U. at

Meadville made me a happy surprise not long ago when they placed \$20 in my hands as a present. I feel happy and grateful to my Lord.

I have baptized near thirty-six at Bude and Meadville this year.

I thought I was ruined when I resigned at Mars Hill, leaving those good people who were so good and kind to me, but I find Christians everywhere I go. I have not found any better but they are as good—the Lord bless them all.

Yours,
JAS. A. CHAPMAN.

LEAKESVILLE.

The work here is encouraging. The Sunday School is moving along nicely under the leadership of Superintendent Anding. The church is installing a system of lights that cost \$250. This work should be credited to the ladies. The church has bought lots for pastor's home, adjoining church lot.

Antioch.

This is, or was a few days ago, a mission point, but now a church with forty-three members, fifteen of whom buried with Christ in baptism. This church is six miles below Leakesville, located in one of the best communities in the county. The church will begin a house real soon.

Beaumont.

We had a real good meeting at this point. Brother Luther Turner, the pastor, just closed a three years' pastorate there. The meeting resulted in twenty-two additions, fourteen for baptism. This was our third meeting with this church. The writer accepted a call to Beaumont, being easily accessible since the A. & M. Railway now connects Leakesville with the N. O. & N. E. R. R. at Evanston.

Our work is encouraging, and we are enjoying it.

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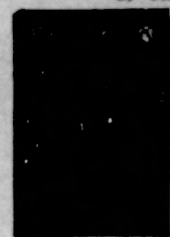
There is an old widow who is a member of the church here. She has no living relatives. She is fifty years old and cooks in a boarding house for a living. The pastor asked this woman for a contribution to the church fund. She gave him \$250. This is an amount she had saved in order to have when she could no longer work. She accepted the challenge of Jesus and put the kingdom first, believing that "all these things" would be added to her. She had done what she could. There is a debt of \$180,000 on our Foreign Mission Board. It is hampering the work of foreign missions. It is a "body of death" tied to our board. Have you given all you can? God expects every Christian to do more than his duty.

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Officers of all Unions are urgently requested to send news notes for publication, and questions concerning the work to be answered in this column, to G. S. Dobbins, New Albany, Miss.

B. Y. P. U. Growing.

Great strides have been made by the Belzoni Baptist Young People's Union during the past four years, when it was organized with six members. The union now has thirty active members and meets every Sunday afternoon at 4 o'clock in the Baptist church.

On Sunday, June 3, the union was divided into four bands, with the following captains: Erin McLain, No. 1; Miss Juanita Ray, No. 2; Hugh Warren, No. 3; Dora Woods, No. 4. Beginning with Band No. 1, each band will alternately have charge of the regular meetings and will arrange and conduct their own programs. Each program will include a Bible quiz, which will compel the reading and studying of the Bible by the members.

The members of the Baptist Young People's Union had charge of Mothers' Day recently and the services were conducted in a very pleasing manner.

The officers of the B. Y. P. U. are Miller Cresswell, president; Raymond Alexander, vice-president; Miss Sue Burton, recording secretary; Miss Josephine Putnam, corresponding secretary; Miss Iva Evers, treasurer; Mrs. D. A. Alexander is a valuable assistant to all the officers, she being responsible, more than any other, for the growth and success of the union.

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The Encampment Ideal.

Shall it be that of numbers? If so, the whole plan and program will have to be reconstructed. Men and women in great crowds are not going to turn aside for even so much as a week for real work in preparation for efficiency in church and Sunday School.

Shall it be that of pleasure? If so, the avowed aim of the work will be defeated. A week of fun and frolic will perhaps attract a larger crowd, but the net result in training and study will beyond doubt be disappointing.

Shall it be that of rest? Some tired preachers and church workers look forward gratefully to the relaxation afforded in the eight days of quiet. But if all rest, and if rest is the chief desire of the majority, the encampment will be a failure, for no effective teaching can be done with a lazy, sleepy class.

Yet all three of these things are desirable, and in just proportion should be expected in an ideal encampment. There is no reason why out of so large a constituency, there should not be gathered a goodly crowd of earnest-minded workers who are willing to pay the price of work and time for the efficiency to be gained. There is no good reason why the pleasure of these like-minded

men and women, boys and girls, should not be given a place of consideration; that there may be genuine enjoyment of the week. Likewise, it should be taken for granted that many who come are not prepared for a strenuous week of grinding study, but need real rest.

But above all these things there should be the idea of study and inspiration. We need fresh waters from new wells. We need to rub elbows with kindred spirits. We need to see what our fellow-workers are doing, and exchange ideas with those who are alive to their tasks. We need to be brought close to the throne of God and have the mists rolled away so that we may look into His face. We need a renewed infilling of the Holy Spirit for service. We need to catch step with the Master.

Let us make a great thing of our encampments. No more serious loss could well come than the abandonment of the plan. Let us resolve now to be in attendance another year, and carry with us a crowd of workers.

Hattiesburg Still A-1.

The B. Y. P. U. of the First church, Hattiesburg, attained the A-1 standard on January 1, 1916, and after holding it for a year and a half, begins the third quarter of 1916 with the brightest of hopes. The standard is now looked upon as a matter of course, and the union is striving in every way to attain a still higher goal, having never harbored the idea that the A-1 mark is an end in itself.

On a recent business meeting night, a written report was read from every officer and every committee, showing splendid results and progress during the past quarter. The following officers were elected for the present term: President, Herman E. Trotter; vice-president, Mozelle Caperton; recording secretary, Amelia Thompson; corresponding secretary, Lillian Clemens; treasurer, Lottie Fuller; chorister, Lucy Garner; librarian, Kate Fuller.

One of the most interesting programs of the year was the formal installation of officers on Sunday evening, July 2nd. Besides attractive musical features, addresses were delivered by Dr. Jno. T. Christian, pastor; E. G. Hightower, outgoing president, and Herman E. Trotter, newly installed president.

The union at Hattiesburg sends cordial greetings to all unions in the State, and earnestly invites all others to a careful consideration of the many advantages to be derived from a seeking and attainment of the A-1 Standard of Excellence. It pays many-fold returns for every patient effort put forth to achieve it.

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It is the purpose of this brief article to set forth some of my reasons for making the above statement.

1. In the first place, it will give you a splendid opportunity for an outing, which in itself, is worth while. It will give you new vigor

for your work, when you return home.


2. In the second place, it will bring the pastors and other workers together, so that they may become better acquainted with each other. This will increase the interest of each worker in our general denominational work. It makes more real to each of us the fact that we are all fellow laborers in the Master's vineyard, and dispels the feeling of isolation that almost overwhelms us sometimes, as we toil on from day to day, each one in his own little corner.

3. Besides, you will have the privilege of sitting at the feet of

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4. Then, again, to have the privilege of listening daily to such men as E. M. Poteat, H. A. Porter and others who are on the program, is a very rare treat—one that no one who can possibly attend, can afford to miss. For entertainment, instruction, and inspiration, this is an unsurpassed opportunity, in my humble judgment.

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And, now, lest I should appear inconsistent, I will add that because of a previous engagement that could not be changed, I shall be deprived of this great privilege, much to my own regret. However, I shall send my "better half" and a pledge of continued support. I wish for all who attend a pleasant and profitable week.

Port Gibson, Miss.

ELECTION.

By C. G. Samuel.

If man's election doth begin
While guilty man is full of sin,
What causes God to some elect,
The others leave and these reject?

Election is not based on worth
That in the man is found at birth;
For every man's conceived in sin,
Impure without, unclean within.

Man by the fall received a sting—
The sting of death and suffering;
Which in the flesh must still remain,
Till flesh returns to dust again.

From inner man this sting's withdrawn,
But lingers in the flesh a thorn;
'Twas ordered that the Spirit must
Remove this sting from flesh when dust.

God in His love hath formed a plan
To take this sting from soul of man;
And in the great redemptive scheme,
First cleanse the soul, and then redeem.

All those on whom this work is done
Do sons and daughters then become;
They then are called God's own elect,
Whom, when he comes, he'll not reject.

Christ's death did fully satisfy
The law which said that man must die;
But did not take from man the sting
That sin to all must surely bring.

In God's great plan to save the race,
Man must accept His gift of grace;
When this he ceases to reject,
He doth become God's own elect.

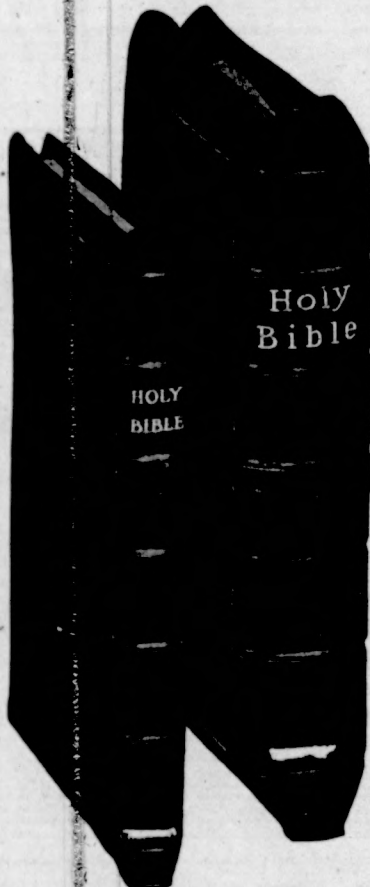
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By power of God till made perfect;
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15 *The land of Zab'u-lon, and the land of Neph'thalim, by the way of the sea, beyond Jor'dan, Gal'i-lee of the Gen'tiles;

16 *The people which sat in darkness saw great light; and to them which sat in the region and shadow of death light is sprung up.

A. D. 31.

Isa. 9. 1, 2.

Isa. 42. 7.

Luke 2. 32.

Mark 1. 14.

Isa. 60. 1.

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Isa. 60. 7.

Isa. 60. 8.

Isa. 60. 9.

Isa. 60. 10.

Isa. 60. 11.

Isa. 60. 12.

Christ's sermon on the mount.

2 And he opened his mouth, and taught them, saying,

3 *Blessed are the poor in spirit: for their's is the kingdom of heaven.

4 *Blessed are they that mourn: for they shall be comforted.

5 *Blessed are the meek: for they shall inherit the earth.

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